

CHANGING THE NAME OF THE WEST BRANCH DAM AND
RESERVOIR, MAHONING RIVER, OHIO, TO THE
MICHAEL J. KIRWAN DAM AND RESERVOIR

DECEMBER 9, 1970.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. FALLON, from the Committee on Public Works,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 18858]

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 18858) to change the name of the West Branch Dam and Reservoir, Mahoning River, Ohio, to the Michael J. Kirwan Dam and Reservoir, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to change the name of the West Branch Dam and Reservoir, Mahoning River, Ohio, to the Michael J. Kirwan Dam and Reservoir.

GENERAL STATEMENT

The West Branch Dam and Reservoir, completed in 1966, is operated as a unit of a comprehensive plan for flood control and low flow augmentation on the Mahoning and Ohio Rivers.

The late Michael J. Kirwan served in the House of Representatives from 1937 to 1970, and was chairman of the Subcommittee on Public Works of the Committee on Appropriations at the time of his death. He served with great distinction during his many years in the Congress, and was universally respected and loved by his colleagues and constituents. Representative Kirwan's career was marked by his great contributions to this Nation particularly in the area of public works. Although his monumental deeds in furtherance of the national water resources development were time consuming he never forgot his responsibilities to his own State and congressional district. He was a

longtime resident of Youngstown, Ohio, one of the major cities benefiting from construction of the West Branch Dam and Reservoir.

COST TO THE UNITED STATES

Enactment of this legislation will not result in any cost to the Federal Government.

AGENCY COMMENTS

The Department of the Army and other interested Federal agencies have indicated no objection to enactment of the bill.

COMMITTEE VIEWS

The committee believes it fitting and proper to name the West Branch Dam and Reservoir after the late Michael J. Kirwan in honor of his many years of distinguished service to Ohio and to the Nation.